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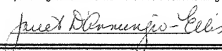
**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Stephen J. Todd et al.  
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STORAGE CAPACITY  
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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116**

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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated August 5, 2011, finally rejecting claims 1-12, 14-32, 34-54, 56-71, 73-88, 90-108, and 110-116, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 21 of this paper.